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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) New U.S. National Stage of PCT/JP03/05130
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP03/05130	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE April 22, 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED April 26, 2002
TITLE OF INVENTION COIN CONFIGURATION DETECTION METHOD, COIN IDENTIFICATION SENSOR, AND COIN IDENTIFICATION APPARATUS		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Kazuhiro YAMAKAWA; Kazuaki TABATA		
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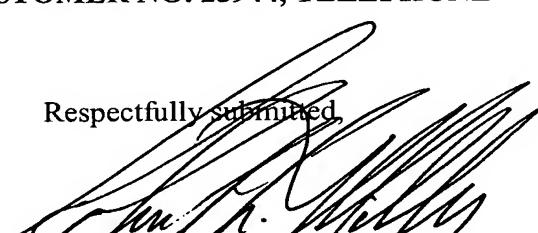
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